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CLANDESTINE SERVICE SUPPORT OFFICERS' MEETING

DDS Conference Room

20 December 1972

1. Present were:

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2. Items of interest from the DD/P Staff Meeting - 20 December.

a. Cuban Missile Display. Mr. Karamessines noted that the Cuban Missile display will be up for some time to come and that it had been viewed by many on the spouse days. Additionally, Jack Maury has shown it to several of his Congressional contacts who have found it most interesting. Pretty recently, a request was made to have a foreign ambassador in Washington invited to view the display. The Director felt the request could not be honored and as a general proposition, it should not be offered for viewing to non-Americans. Mr. Karamessines said we cannot let this display become a tourist attraction and while it is excellent, it is not for every "Tom, Dick and Harry." He suggested that any unusual request for viewing be referred to his office.

b. Reduced Personnel Ceiling. Mr. Karamessines said he would like to speak to current rumors that the Agency is going to undergo further reductions in its personnel ceiling. He affirmed that the Agency will be cut in its staff strength and that the reductions will be required to be made over the next 18 months. He said the CS has not received any final figures for its share of any Agency reduction, but that he felt it would be some under 200. As much as possible he would like to plan to make whatever reduction is given the CS from Headquarters components. He emphasized that he has no desire to reduce the CS strength beyond its present staffing, but if a reduction is directed, it will be taken where it will cause the least damage. He believes that any reduction the CS gets will pose no horrendous problem--that it can be taken in stride and through fairly normal procedures plus normal attrition the reduced numbers can be achieved. Component chiefs will be advised when their share of any reduction is arrived at.

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25X1 c. Foreign Affairs Executive Seminar. Mr. Karamessines spent several minutes on this course pointing out that it is a three week seminar now given four times a year. He has reviewed the course content, finds certain revisions which he feels are much more relevant to the CS, and that while the CS had no student in the last course, he is convinced that the CS can afford two for each future seminar. The next seminar is scheduled early January and he prefers that students be in grades 15 or above. He said 14's will be acceptable, but he really prefers the higher grades at least for the immediate future. He concluded that [ ] will visit component chiefs for their nominees.

3. Item of interest from the DD/S Staff Meeting - 19 December.

a. CFC, etc. Mr. Fisher announced the final returns on the CFC program - the total for the Agency was \$294,968.53 or \$2.53 above the target goal. The [ ] 25X1 final figure for EAF was \$17,387.00; the final figure for PSAS was \$15,061.00.

4. Other items of interest.

a. Shipment of Foreign Made-Foreign Purchased Autos. OLC has checked out our draft cable on this subject with our House Appropriations Committee. No objection was raised to our proposal but we are unable to release it until State has settled on the rules it will follow after 31 December 1972.

b. Car Pool Permits. We have given you the new car pool permits for your components. We have returned to you the original of each application of which we and LSD have a Xerox. You might substitute the original for the copy you made originally. Because of the keen demand, LSD created 50 more car pool spaces for a total of 274. No more spaces will be created for this purpose, by present plans and the present permits are valid through 30 June 1973. If a car pool disbands, the principal applicant is expected to turn the permits in to you for return to LSD through SSA.

c. Reserved Parking Permits. We'd like to squelch a rumor that "everyone in LSD through GS-13 has a reserved parking permit." Under the new system LSD will be given its proportionate share of reserved and lane permits from the DDS allocation to the Office of Logistics. The point is, LSD will have no "kitty" of any parking permits.

d. Support Officer Assignments.

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25X1 e. [ ] In Georgetown Hospital for a hernia operation. Not an emergency - discovered through routine physical. Will be in the hospital about 10 days.

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